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PRISON LABOR MAKING GOOD.

A humanitarian—which is a long word meaning a person whose kindness to his fellow-man expresses itself in action—would be very much interested nowadays in following up some splendid work the territory is doing with prison labor.

It isn't many years since a proposal to use prison labor on county roads of Oahu evoked the remark from one supervisor that it might possibly be good business but it was mighty poor politics. The theory was that politicians would attack the county for handing over to the prisoners work that should be done by citizens—said citizens, of course, being voters who knew how to cast the ballot on the political waters so that not many days after it would return bearing a job.

The theory, of course, was a fallacy, for it was never proposed to displace citizen labor with prison labor. Nevertheless, not until the present territorial administration took hold has the prison labor plan been worked out to its present beneficial degree.

Under the regime of High Sheriff Jarrett, who is doing some notably good work at the Oahu prison, men serving time are adding something to the economic products of their community, aiding themselves, and still bearing the penalty for law-violation. Forty or fifty convicts are at work on the new territorial prison. The Round Top road is prison labor-built. A school shop was put up by prisoners, directed by a prisoner. On Maui the prison camp is proving itself worth while. The single example of partial failure is on Hawaii, and there, according to the reports brought back by the attorney-general and the high sheriff after a visit, the trouble is politics. Apparently one supervisor is attempting to use the positions of overseers to pay some of his petty political debts. Naturally such exploitation of prisoners isn't going to work out either smoothly or efficiently.

When the prisoners who work in the well-conducted camps have served their time, they come into the industrial world again considerably better men for their experience. Some of them have learned semi-skilled trades. All of them have learned that they can do eight hours a day of steady, laborious work and do it with benefit to themselves.

Many of the states are developing "honor camps" and similar institutions. So is Hawaii, and doing it quietly and with a total absence of psychological theory. It's plain common-sense.

A DANGER TO NEUTRALITY.

In the conflict of foreign powers for American war loans there is a possibility almost as fraught with alarm for the United States as the submarine campaign on ocean commerce. If American financiers are drawn deeply into this conflict for capital, neutrality will be more than ever hard to maintain.

It must be recognized that the Germans and German-Americans in the United States have precisely the same legal right to tie up capital to keep a billion-dollar loan from the Allies as the Allies have to secure the loan if they can. The Germans have just as much right to

buy war munitions and supplies and hold them in this country as the Allies have to buy war munitions and supplies for shipment abroad. Neither side has the right to foment industrial disorders in the United States nor to hamper legitimate trade by the United States. The danger is that in the bitter struggle of rival capitalistic groups which seems to be developing, the United States will be torn by factionalism and the efforts of the government to preserve neutrality be undermined.

A CAMPAIGN FOR THE CHILDREN.

Food Commissioner A. W. Hansen is making a campaign that should receive the hearty support of every father and mother in the city—a campaign for the children. He is endeavoring to eliminate the dangers which indiscriminate buying of frozen-sweets and ice-cream entail upon the youngsters.

The food commissioner's present activity in prosecuting dealers in ice-cream who fail to observe the law is due to a previous investigation which brought out the possibilities for harm that lurk in frozen products made under insanitary conditions. His campaign is twofold—first, to guard against harmful products; secondly, to see that all products are honestly labeled and honestly sold.

What the food commission is doing is a benefit to reputable and careful dealers just as it is a blow to ignorant and careless dealers. By making public a list of those whose offerings are up to standard at the same time those below standard are pointed out, the commissioner's office recommends the reputable dealer to the purchasers of Honolulu.

Premier Okuma of Japan announces that no Japanese troops will be sent to the war-zone in Europe as that would weaken the home defenses. It might be asked, defenses against what? and possibly the clever old veteran would find a ready answer. But as a matter of fact, Japan's danger from attack on the Pacific is so small it can't be seen with the naked eye. The truth is that Japan hasn't got the money to spend on a European expedition.

As the time for the big league finish draws near we discern less absorbing interest in tennis, the Allies, golf, tangoes, the submarines and trips to the exposition.

Great Britain proclaims the German submarine campaign an abject failure but it is noticeable that marine insurance continues at a pretty fancy rate.

Possibly it will come to a pitched battle between financiers of the Allies and financiers of the Germans over an American loan.

That five-foam used by the Standard Oil to smother flames ought to be a great thing when applied to campaign orators.

South Carolina has accomplished two great deeds recently—voted "dry" and retired to private life one Cole Blease.

Russia is willing to alter the European map a little but not to the extent Germany seems to expect.

PUNAHOU GIRLS PLAN ATHLETIC WORK FOR YEAR

Not to be outdone by the boy students of Punahou, the girls of the school have started an athletic program that is most interesting to all followers of athletics. Since the arrival of Mrs. Agnes Packard Driver, who will have charge of all girls' athletics, unusual interest has been taken in the many sports. Mrs. Driver spent the summer at the University of California where she took a post-graduate course in all branches of girls' athletics.

Various teams have already been formed since the opening of the year, and the new ideas brought back by Mrs. Driver have caused many students to take up athletic work. Tuesday afternoon a rally of all of the girls in the academy was held in the assembly hall and plans were presented which met the hearty approval of all the students. At this meeting the new officers for the various teams were elected.

Irene Ahrens was elected captain of the swimming team, and she will try to arrange for a championship meet later on in the year. The basketball team, which will be busy with the schedules for the season. Dorothy Walker was elected captain of the senior team; Adelaide Pratt was chosen leader of the juniors; Margaret Keppeler is the captain-elect of the sophomores, and the freshman honors go to Mary Gray.

The athletic work will begin in earnest in about two weeks, and a schedule of basketball games is now being formed which will give the school a number of interesting contests. Many of the girls have played before, and new material for the teams will be found in the members who have come to Punahou for the first time.

Next Monday will be Tag Day. Every young lady in the school will wear some kind of a tag, and the tags will be colored, with each color representing some branch of athletics. At the request of the athletic director each girl will be asked to have a tag corresponding to the branch of athletics she wishes to enter, so that a careful account may be kept of the number turning out for each particular sport. The sentiment around the school at present appears to be that this will be the banner year in girls' athletics, and all are looking forward to a successful season.

ROWE SAYS NAVY MEN USE MUCH COCAINE

"Is there much cocaine used by the men in the navy?" asked Judge Chas. F. Clemons of Owen G. Rowe, a former enlisted man in the navy, in federal court this morning.

"I guess there is quite a lot of it used," answered Rowe, in effect. "The fellows can get it if they are in charge of the dispensary."

According to counsel for the defense, the local revenue men entered Rowe's room and secured the cocaine. Rowe later was arrested. Counsel further stated that Rowe was suffering from alcoholism and had purchased the drug for this ailment. There was no attempt on Rowe's part to sell the drug or give any of it away, counsel added.

The court sentenced Rowe to pay a fine of \$25 and the costs of the court, amounting to about \$65.

CREDITS AND CURIOS NEXT AD CLUB TOPICS

How the credit standing of individuals and firms is arrived at, and how the San Francisco exposition appears to a collector of curios, will be among the diverse themes to be talked over next Wednesday at the Ad Club's session next week. C. B. Gage announced this afternoon.

John Ertlinger, whose curio shop in the Alexander Young building is one of Honolulu's favorite places for curio hunters, will tell of his impressions at the exposition.

Coming down to business, Norval B. Young of the Mercantile Reference Agency will speak on credits and their application to Honolulu in particular.

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

—J. A. BALCH: It's a lot pleasanter to see some mountains from a distance than it is to climb up to the top of them. In other words, it's better to see them looking up than down. Hereafter I'll leave Manna Loa to the guide books.

—JOSHUA D. TUCKER: I have received inquiries from all people who are interested in the beach lots out the other side of Waimea. As soon as the governor has given his approval to the sale I intend to take up the question of getting water on the lots.

—CAPT. LAURENCE W. REDING TON, assistant to the adjutant-general N. G. H.: There was more doing in the armory last night than ever before in its history. I don't believe there was a room in the building that didn't have an inspection or a smolder, or a National Guard gathering of some kind going on.

—A. L. C. ATKINSON: European war news doesn't interest me much today. I am mourning the untimely death of a very dear friend and companion, who died this morning at my ranch. I refer to Prohibition, the large mule which vocal accompaniments have so often delighted the music-lovers of Puna. The excitement of the last few days was too much for him.

—W. I. CREED, cashier, Leeward Young Hotel: This has been a good week for Honolulu hotels. Every time plenty of ships and transports arrive prosperity results for local hotelkeepers. Island residents returning from the mainland also stay here several days before going on to the other islands. Every little bit helps us hotelmen. Island residents are getting back from vacations in larger numbers than ever too. The real tourist season hasn't started yet, however.

Personal Mention

HENRY W. KINNEY, superintendent of public instruction, will leave for Maui next Monday to visit the Lahaina school. He will return to Honolulu on the following Friday.

MALCOLM A. FRANKLIN, collector of customs at Honolulu, leaves for British Columbia in the steamer Niagara today. After visiting in Vancouver and Victoria he will cross into the United States. Mr. Franklin will be away about three months and will combine business with pleasure.

Morning on Change

Onomea and Olua monopolized what little trading there was on the board this morning, the former changing hands at \$3.50, a drop of half a point from previous sales, and the latter scaling up one-eighth. McBryde, Ewa, Brewery and Olua 6 per cent bonds were the scanty between boards sales reported.

INSECT HISTORY IS TO GET ATTENTION AT COLLEGE OF HAWAII

Among the several new courses in entomology which will be given at the College of Hawaii this year will be one in elementary morphology of insects, which will be in the nature of an introductory laboratory course. In connection with this course will be one in economic entomology of sugar cane, which will be a general survey of the relation of insects to plants and to one another.

A study of the principal insect pests of the farm and garden will be given through a course in agricultural entomology, and the methods of controlling those insects which affect the home will be taken up in a course of domestic entomology. Insects destructive and beneficial to forest trees will be dealt with in a course in forest entomology. Prof. James F. Hittingworth will be in charge of the work. The college has erected an insectary for use by the students.

He will show how the financial standing of individuals and business firms are arrived at in an accurate, scientific manner.

The United States Assay Office in New York ships \$250,000 in gold bars to the Philadelphia mint for coinage for the bank of Cuba.

REGATTA COURSE TO BE PATROLLED BY CUTTER THETIS

Harbor Must Be Kept Clear of Launches and Rowboats Will Be Taken Into Custody

The following announcement was made by the Regatta Day committee this morning:

Arrangements have been made through the harbor master by the cutter of the commander of the coast guard cutter Thetis for the official patrolling of the regatta course on Saturday. All boats must keep entirely off the course during all races. No boat will be allowed to be under way or have its engine in motion while a race is in progress. A red flag will be hoisted at the mainmast of the judges' boat and also a red flag will be hoisted on the pilot's tower located on Pier 7 at the start of all races. Immediately on the hoisting of these flags the course must be cleared, and no boat may get under way until the flags have been dropped. Any launch, rowboat or canoe violating these rules will be taken in custody by the coast guard cutter.

Owners of all vessels are asked to give their attention to the following regulation, as prescribed by the department of commerce at Washington:

"1. A vessel of any description shall not be permitted to pass up or down the course during the progress of a race in such a manner as to endanger cars, men or passengers on excursion steamers, yachts or other craft whether observers or participants in the regatta. This prohibition to pass up or down shall not apply to the official boats or to the racing craft."

"2. Upon special permission from the United States officer in charge, vessels may pass over the course immediately before or after a race, at a

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"3. A succession of sharp, short whistles from a United States vessel patrolling the course shall serve as a signal for vessels to stop. Pilot of vessels shall stop when directed to do so by the United States officer in charge, to insure the safety of passengers, as mentioned in rule 1.

"4. The above regulation will be enforced subject to discretion of the United States officer in charge, as not to obstruct unnecessarily the navigation of vessels of the merchant marine."

SENATE'S NAVAL HEAD INDORSES WILSON'S NAVY INCREASE PLANS

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Chairman Tillman of the senate naval affairs committee discussed national defense recently with President Wilson. Later he said he favored a reasonable increase in the navy and would support the president's recommendations to congress this fall. No definite program will be mapped out, he said, until the president has received a report from Secretary Daniels. It was stated authoritatively by administration officials that there is no basis for reports that the president had decided to recommend army and navy appropriations totalling \$600,000,000.

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Lusit St. (near school)	2 "	30.00

TAISEI MARU IS DUE AT HONOLULU MONDAY EVENING

The Japanese training ship Taisei Maru will arrive in Honolulu on Monday evening from San Francisco. The Taisei Maru is a sailing ship from the Marine School of Tokyo, and has a crew of 150. The students left Kobe some time ago, going directly to San Francisco, where they spent a week enjoying the sights of the exposition.

The Japanese Merchants Association are now arranging for a reception for the cadets upon their arrival here. The students will remain here for five days, and will be royally entertained by the local Japanese. Capt. Kanno, who is in command, is one of the leading naval men of the marine service.

A wireless was received this morning by the Nippon Jiji, stating that the Taisei Maru was 600 miles off Honolulu, and would arrive here late Monday evening. The Japanese high school will challenge the cadets to a baseball game during their stay here.

The City Council at Minneapolis has instructed the city engineer to begin valuation of the Minneapolis Street Railway.

A MATTER OF METHOD.

I often hear the maidens mourn
The good old days of yore,
And "men were really men," they say
In the good old days of yore.

I grant this rather puzzles me
(Perhaps I am obtuse).
Since all the customs in vogue
Are so long out of use.

The prehistoric cave man
Set out to find a bride,
And searched with eager diligence
The country far and wide.

He found her in the forest
Seated upon a stone,
Musing in blissful silence,
Chewing a mastodon bone.

Her hair was as dark as evening,
Her eyes as deep in tone;
She was wrapped in sweet meditation
And wrapped in them alone.

He seized her flowing tresses
And dragged her to his cave
And to soothe her lamentations
Cared her with a stove.

But all that modern maidens
Have gathered from old lore
Is that old sweet conclusion:
"Lived happy evermore!"

—F. S. F.

WHO WILL GIVE OLD RECORDS TO CASTLE HOME?

Generously-inclined Honoluluans with phonograph records they no longer want may do a very kind deed that will be much appreciated if they will send them to the Castle Home. The Castle Home has been presented with an Edison phonograph, of the latest improved kind, but has been given no records. This phonograph can also use Victrola records, and Miss Frances M. Gould, superintendent of the home, said today that records will be greatly appreciated and will be of real service in entertaining the children. Miss Gould may be reached by telephoning 5027.

SHIP TAX TONNAGE FOR U. S. SHOWS BIG INCREASE FOR YEAR.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Despite war in Europe, the United States collected during the fiscal year ended June 30 more tonnage tax on ships in the foreign trade entering American ports than had been collected in any of the thirty years preceding. The total was \$1,514,916, or \$4,157 more than the tax for the preceding year.

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